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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims

Claims 1 to 16 (cancelled)

17. (new) Sink device for connection to a digital network comprising

means for displaying a user interface for controlling a data source device connected to the network;

means for controlling network resource allocation and for automatically establishing, upon selection of a function of the source by the user through the user interface, a connection between the data source device and the data sink device, said data sink device becoming the default destination device for communication with the data source device; and

said sink device including means for performing playback of data received from the source device.

18. (new) Sink device according to claim 17, wherein the connection to said digital network is an isochronous transmission connection comprising allocation of a channel and of bandwidth.

19. (new) Sink device according to claim 17, wherein the controlling means of the sink device includes means for checking for an existing connection from the source device to another sink device, and in the affirmative, for refraining from automatically establishing a connection between the data source device and the data sink device.

20. (new) Sink device according to claim 17, wherein said function is a playback function.

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21. (new) Sink device according to claim 20, wherein said sink device comprises means for generating controls for starting and stopping reading from storage means of the source device.

22. (new) Sink device according to claim 17, wherein said function is a selection function of the source device.

23. (new) Sink device according to claim 17, further comprising memory for storing software downloaded from the source device, wherein said software is adapted to control the automatic establishment of the connection between the source device and the sink device and wherein said user interface is derived from said software.

24. (new) Sink device according to claim 23, wherein said software is a HAVi Havlet and the network is a HAVi network.

25. (new) Method for establishing a data stream connection in a digital network comprising a source device and a sink device, said method comprising the steps of:

executing a user interface on the sink device;

selecting a function of the source device through the user interface;

automatically establishing a connection for data transmission from the source device to the sink device upon selection of a function of said source device by a user, said sink device becoming the default destination device for communication with the source device;

said sink device performing playback of data received from the source device.

26. (new) Method according to claim 25, further comprising the step of deriving the user interface from software downloaded by the sink device from the source device.

27. (new) Method according to claim 26, wherein the network is a HAVi network and the software is a HAVi Havlet.

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28. (new) Method according to claim 26, wherein the downloaded software controls the establishment of the connection.

29. (new) Method according to claim 25, further comprising the step, prior to establishing the connection, of verifying the existence of a preexistent connection between the source device and a further sink device, and establishing the connection only in the negative.

30. (new) Method according to claim 25, wherein said function is a playback function, and said source device is a data storage device.

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